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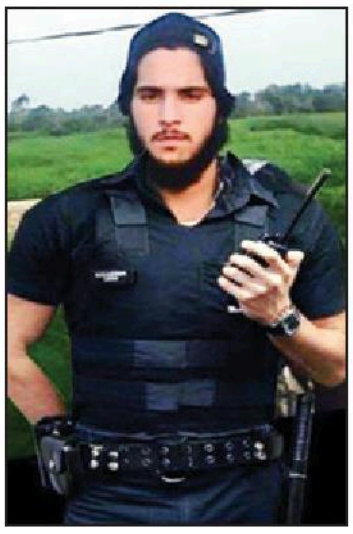
Pulwama Terror Attack

Mastermind Shot Dead

Srinagar, Feb.18 (UNI)- In a big breakthrough, Indian security forces this morning gunned down top Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) commander Abdul Rasheed Ghazi alias Kamran, in an encounter with multiple JeM terrorists at Pulwama in J&K.

Ghazi Rasheed was the mastermind of the Pulwama terror attack which took place on Feb.14 where 44 CRPF soldiers were killed. He was cornered by Security Forces along with two more terrorists at Pinglan in an encounter that started in the wee hours this morning.



Abdul Ghazi Rasheed

Ghazi Rasheed has trained Adil Ahmad Dar, the suicide bomber. Pinglan is just a few kilometres from Pulwama.

WEE-HOUR SEARCH

A joint team of Indian Army's 55 Rashtriya Rifles, CRPF and Special Operation Group launched a cordon in the wee hours. A Police officer said that the cordon was laid in the area following credible inputs about the presence of some militants.

Kamran and a local militant named Hilal were killed in the gunfight. Another terrorist is still trapped, sources said. The forces were conducting searches, the militants fired upon them, triggering a gun battle. Four soldiers including an officer belonging to the 55 Rashtriya Rifles were also killed in the encounter.

(See MASTERMIND on page 8)

Fifteen Law Courts shifted to new Complex at Jayanagar

Mysuru, Feb.18 (RK&DM)- The Malalavadi Court Complex at Jayanagar (behind Apollo BGS Hospitals) was abuzz this morning as fifteen Courts, which hitherto were functioning at the City Law Courts Complex in Chamarajapuram, started functioning at the new Complex.

The Courts which started functioning from the new place from today are as follows:

1. Principal Family Court
2. First Additional Principal Family Court
3. Second Additional Principal Family Court
4. Third Additional Principal Family Court
5. Fourth Additional Principal Family Court
6. Principal Senior Civil Judge & Chief Judicial Magistrate (CJM) Court
7. First Additional Senior Civil Judge and CJM Court
8. Second Additional Senior Civil Judge and CJM Court
9. Third Additional Senior Civil Judge and CJM Court
10. Fourth Additional Senior Civil Judge & Judicial Magistrate - First Class (JMFC) Court
11. Second Civil Judge and JMFC Court
12. Additional Second Civil Judge and JMFC Court
13. JMFC, 2nd Court
14. JMFC, 3rd Court
15. JMFC, 4th Court

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge, Mysuru, Suresh K. Vantigodi cut the tape to mark the inauguration of the shifted Courts in the new Complex.

(See COURTS on page 8)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.
Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy B.A.; B.L.
Mysuru, Monday 18th February 2019

Sustaining *secular* status

The most obvious casualty of life nowadays seems to be harmony among nations and their populations across the world, given the reports in the columns of dailies overflowing with details of misdemeanour by individuals and sections of society on myriad counts, including the passion to display depth of devotion to their respective faith, creeds and beliefs, even as the message is delivered during their discourses by the moderates that disharmony needs to be guarded against and the conflicts traced to religions are uncalled for. That message is what *secular outlook* is all about and the same is enshrined in the preamble to the nation's highly adored and widely quoted Constitution, never mind the measure said to be an after-thought. The well-meant prescription of tolerance towards all faiths and their manifestations both in private and public spaces seems to be more debated than heeded by people at large, barring some sections of the land's diaspora.

The quintessence of the policy behind secular principle, namely unfettered freedom to follow the faith of one's choice without hurting anybody's feelings can be traced to many ancient texts of the land such as Hithopadesha, Subhaashitha, Upanishad and Philosophical writings of luminaries who lived in the distant past. The line *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* (the world is one family) traced to Maha Upanishad stands out.

The periods narrated in history texts mentioning the features of rich culture of the land's people several centuries ago and the westerners discovering those features are far apart from one another. Maybe, the same richness as well as wealth of the land proved its nemesis as subsequent events of hordes of conquerors rushing to the territory, first as marauders and next as rulers of the different regions of the country. An important and enduring fall out of the influx of aliens, unarguably, is the sway of their respective faiths over indigenous gullible masses. The central point to the policy of a secular nation is to *accept,* as *fait accompli,* the two faiths that were followed and promoted by the regimes of alien origins.

Seven decades have witnessed the co-existence of masses following faiths, both indigenous and originating in foreign lands. Whether one tolerates other faiths or not, the bottom line is that one cannot wish them, the masses following those faiths, away. Atal Bihari Vajpayee's quote: *If India is not secular it is not India* provides the guideline for sustaining the country's secular status.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

***Learning to learn:** In school we learn not just our ABCs, but, if we have good teachers, we begin to learn how to learn, to expand our minds so that they can enlarge to accommodate new ideas. This enlarging of the mind to fit in new ideas continues till we grow into adults and start working. At first we learn a lot, not just about the particular work we are doing, but also we continue to learn about learning. But somewhere along the line, in later adulthood, many, if not most, of us begin to lose, without knowing it, our suppleness of mind, along with the flexibility of our bodies. We begin to feel that, thanks to the years of experience we've had, we can do our daily jobs with 'our eyes shut'. We feel we already have enough knowledge about all these things, and don't need more. But in that it prevents us from knowing more, our knowledge becomes 'no-ledge'. Learning to learn again is fun. In any language.*

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

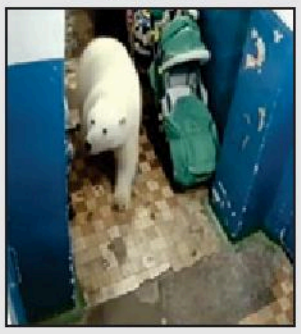
Pollution turns snow into black in Russia

Moscow: People of Kiselevsk and Prokopyevsk, two cities in Russia's Kuzbass region were shocked to see black colour snow in the morning. The region experienced heavy snowfall the previous day and the residents woke up the next morning to find that all that white snow has turned black overnight.

Photos and videos recently shared on social media by worried citizens of the two Russian cities show the grim reality of living in a coal mining area – snow covered fields and streets blanketed by a thick layer of coal dust and soot that literally turns the snow from white to pitch black.

Interestingly, while most of those commenting on the photos and videos of black snow in Kiselevsk and Prokopyevsk, criticized the Government for the situation, some actually described the phenomenon as strangely beautiful.

Polar bears invade Russian town



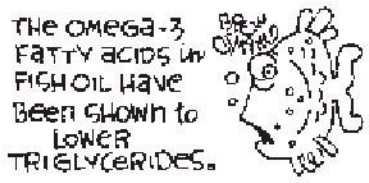
Belushya Guba: Residents of Belushya Guba, a small town in northern Russia are afraid to venture out of their houses as a dozen polar bears are out on the streets in search of food.

Belushya Guba is home to roughly 3,000 people, many of whom are terrified to leave their homes and send their kids to school, because of the dozens of bears running around in the streets and even entering buildings in search of food. While polar bear sighting aren't exactly uncommon in the remote town, the scale of this invasion is reportedly unprecedented. Over 52 sightings were reported in three days, with up to 10 bears seen in the settlement at any given time.

Polar bear activity in and around Belushya Guba started in December, and the animals have reportedly become more aggressive ever since, attacking people and entering residences.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are some natural remedies for lowering cholesterol?



There are a number of botanicals that are known to lower cholesterol. Among them: Inositol, Lecithin, L-Carnitine,Betasitosterol, Fish oil, Phosphatidylcholine, Vitamin C, Calcium, Magnesium, Chromium and Vitamin E.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

WASH Forum at NIE:

Consultation workshop on Feb. 20

Mysuru, Feb.18- National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), New Delhi, have jointly established the WASH Innovation Lab at NIE.

Under this initiative, in consultation with MCC, creation of a WASH Forum has been proposed by NIUA. To understand the viewpoint of all relevant stakeholders on the Forum, a consultation workshop will be held on Feb. 20 at Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Hall, NIE, between 9.30 am and 2 pm.

The WASH Forum will be a network of representatives from government, academia, private sector, industries, entrepreneurs, civic societies and also general public who wish to contribute in improving the water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) related issues of Mysuru city innovatively.

The WASH Forum will strengthen the activities planned under the Wash Lab and will be its extended arm. Therefore, the main aim of the WASH Forum is to create a platform to meet, discuss, share, and resolve WASH issues of the city without any bias, and act as an independent advisory support to the MCC.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Deputy Mayor Shafi Ahmed, MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag, MCC Deputy Commissioner (Development) G.R. Suresh, Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraju and Senior WASH Specialist from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Anand Rudra will be the guests of honour.

USAID is funding IHUWASH project, which is being implemented by NIUA.

To initiate the dialogue on WASH Forum, a panel discussion has been planned. S. Shamsundar, WASH Chair, WASH Lab, NIE, Dr. D.G. Nagaraju, Health Officer, Dr. G.S. Suresh, Dean, NIE, Prof. Prakash Nair, Organisational Behaviour & HRM, MYRA School Business, B. Basavaraju, Executive Director, GRAAM (Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement), Shriram, Member, BAI, Mysuru, will be the panellists.

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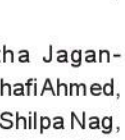

- ***In 1892, Max Joseph von Pettenkofer deliberately drank a broth containing a large dose of cholera bacteria to disprove Robert Koch's theory that the bacteria alone is the cause of the disease. Luckily, Pettenkofer escaped with just mild symptoms. In 1933, Allan Blair deliberately let a black widow spider bite him to prove to those who doubted that the symptoms of the victims were the result of the bite. Blair had to be hospitalised and was in great pain for several days.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Girl : *(to God) I don't want to marry. I am educated, independent and self-sufficient and don't need a husband. But my parents are asking me to marry. What to do?*

God replied : *You are my finest creation and undoubtedly will achieve many great things. But some things, inevitably, will not go the way you want. Worst, some things will fail. Whom will you blame? Yourself? No! You need a husband !!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

Aadhaar mistakes:

Data entry needs supervision

Sir,

With reference to the letter ***"Absence of staff with merit cause for problem with Aadhaar cards"*** (*SOM* dated Feb.15) let it be added that data entry is only a skill which needs proper supervision for correcting errors by a knowledgeable person with a good understanding of the procedure involved that has a reasonable grip on the language in which data is being entered.

A skilled worker picks up the nuances of the job at hand with experience only ! When outsourcing such activity, it is necessary to put under essential conditions the need for a reasonable grip on the language and also the software being used for entry.

School education is not imparting language even at a reasonably basic level. In addition, children, in the available environment, do not take to study with necessary seriousness, as promotion to the next class is assured.

A matriculate picks up a cheap course and learns typing on a computer, qualifies to be a data entry operator. It is these that cause the problems with everything involving data.

Moreover, a resource person with knowledge of the kind of data being entered must be available to help the citizens who provide the data needed.

—P.S. Kulashekhar
Mysuru
16.2.2019

Drinking water and cleanliness will be my priority: New MCC Comr.

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (RK&BCT)- IAS Officer Shilpa Nag has taken over as the Commissioner of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC). Outgoing Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha, who has been appointed as Chief Administrator at Directorate of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru, handed over charge to her at the MCC Office on Sayyaji Rao Road last afternoon.

Outgoing MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha greeting the new Commissioner Shilpa Nag at MCC Office yesterday.

Karnataka cadre Officer Shilpa Nag had earlier served as the Director of Abdul Nazir Saab State Institute of Rural Development (ANSSIRD) and she has sufficient knowledge about the city. She believes that this would help her in discharging duties at the MCC in an efficient manner.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* soon after taking charge, Shilpa Nag said that she has been transferred based on the directives of Election Commission and will have the responsibility of looking after the Lok Sabha election process and at the same time, give priority to civic issues.

She said that she will focus on drinking water. "Mysuru has already won the 'Cleanest City' tag in India and it is attempting to regain that place once again. I will ensure that the cleanliness is maintained. I will take the officers and employees of the MCC into confidence and strive towards the overall development of the city by providing an efficient administration," she said.

Applications invited for appointment as National Youth Volunteers

Mysuru, Feb.18- The Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mysuru, has invited applications from youths (male and female) for appointment as 'National Youth Volunteers' to function under the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

The appointment will be for a period of 2 years and the volunteers will be paid a monthly honorarium of Rs. 5,000.

A total of 14 volunteers, two each from the seven taluks of the district, will be appointed to function as volunteers. Also, two other volunteers will be appointed for functioning as Computer Operators at the Department's Office.

The applicants must be aged between 18 and 29 years as on April 1, 2018 and must possess a minimum qualification of a pass in tenth standard. Candidates having Computer knowledge will be preferred.

Students who are pursuing studies and those who have already served as volunteers in the same scheme are not eligible to apply. The appointment will be only for a two-year period, with payment of a monthly honorarium of Rs. 5,000.

The prescribed application forms are available at Nehru Yuva Kendra, No. 26/A, Rajarajeshwari Temple Road, Industrial Suburb, 3rd Stage, Vishweshwaranagar, Mysuru-8.

The applications can also be downloaded from the website: *www.nyks.nic.in.* The filled in application forms must be sent by Mar.2. For more details call Ph: 0821-2489853 or 2489858.

Pulwama attack

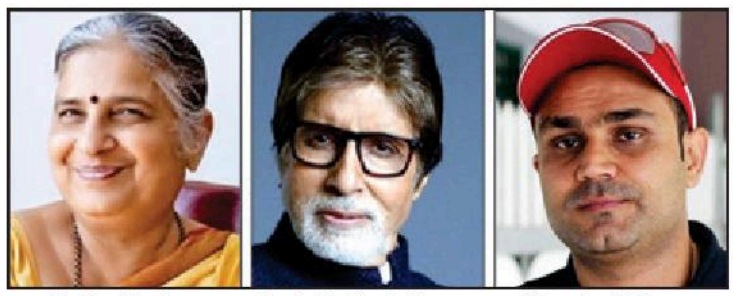
Infosys Foundation to give

Rs. 10 lakh each to martyrs' families

Bengaluru, Feb. 18 - Infosys Foundation will give Rs. 10 lakh each to the families of martyrs who laid down their lives in line of duty in the terrorist attack at Pulwama in Jammu & Kashmir.

Foundation Chairperson Sudha Murty said that the society is indebted to their sacrifice in defence of the nation. Infosys Foundation is the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) arm of technology giant Infosys.

"The soldiers have made a supreme sacrifice. Money is not important here and we wish to tell the families that we are there with them. Reading about the blast, I felt that something must be done to the families that have lost their breadwinners," she said. "I don't want publicity for the money donated. But I feel that this will inspire even others to donate money to the families. I will visit the house of Mandya Martyr H. Guru and meet his widow Kalavathi after March 15," Sudha Murty added.



Sudha Murty *Amitabh Bachchan* *Virender Sehwag*

Amitabh, Sehwag too contribute: Also, actor Amitabh Bachchan will be donating Rs. 5 lakh each to the families of the martyrs. The actor is currently finding out "from several government sources where and how the amount will be distributed to ensure it is expedited."

Former Indian batsman Virender Sehwag said that he will "take complete care of the education of the children" of CRPF jawans. "Nothing we can do will be enough, but the least I can do is offer to take complete care of the education of their children in my Sehwag International School," he said.

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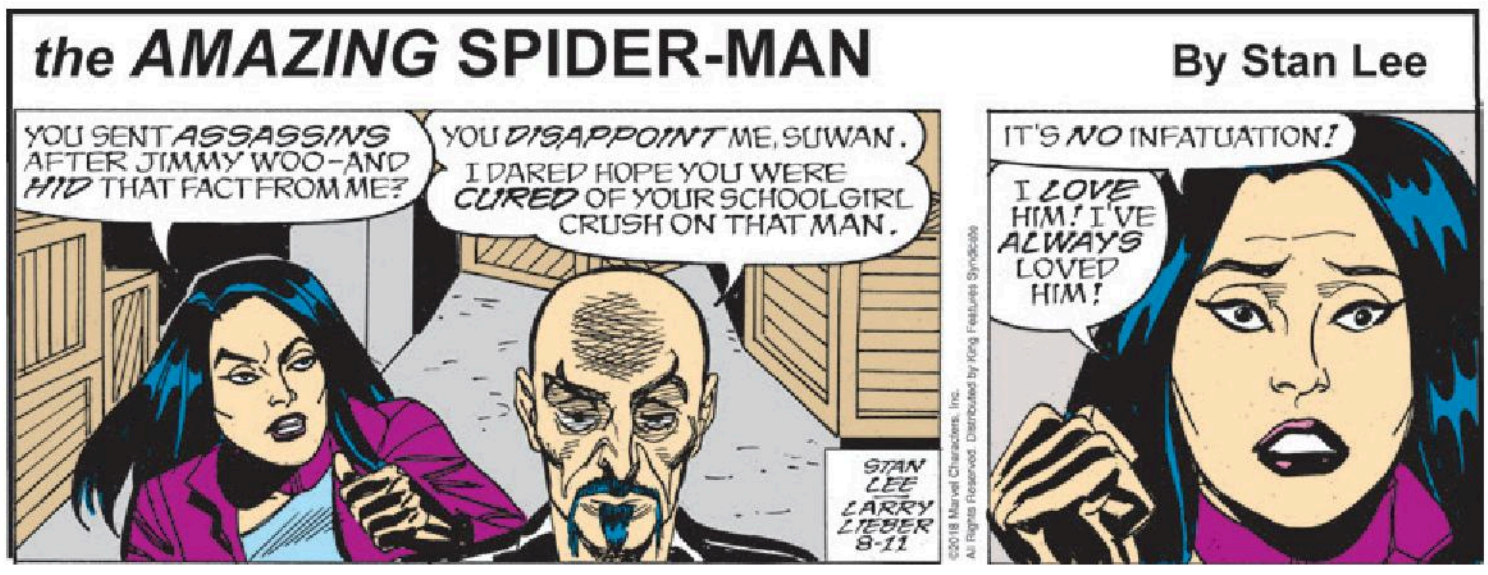
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NEWS BRIEFS

Felicitation to Mysore Varsity VC

Computer Society of India (CSI), Mysuru, has organised a function to felicitate Mysore University VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar and for the release of its quarterly newsletter 'My CSI' at S.P. Bhat Hall, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) premises on JLB Road, today (Feb.18) at 5.30 pm. CSI - Mysuru President Prof. M.S. Veerendrakumar will preside.

Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti

The 329th Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayantothsava Samiti, will held on Feb. 19 at Kalamandira in city. Committee President N. Gopalrao Jadhav said that a procession will be taken out from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple to the venue at 9.30 am. Manjunath Maharaj will grace the occasion.

Workshop

The Department of Handlooms and Textiles will be conducting a two-day workshop on entrepreneurship shortly. Officials from all concerned Departments, subject experts will brief the participants on issues related to setting up of textile and allied industries. Those interested, may register before Feb. 19 at the Department office, CTI premises, Sayyaji Rao Road, For details, call Ph: 0821-2441353 / 2422322.

Elected

G.M. Mahadev was elected President and P. Chikkajyothi was elected Vice-President of Mysore University Employees Co-operative Credit Society Limited, Maharaja College premises. The two were elected unopposed, according to a press release.

Lokayukta to hear public grievances from tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.18- Karnataka Lokayukta Officials will hear grievances from the public at all taluk headquarters of the district on different dates starting from tomorrow (Feb.19). The grievances will be heard between 11 am and 1 pm on all the days.

Feb.19: Lokayukta office, Dewans Road, Mysuru, **Feb. 20:** Taluk office premises, T. Narasipur, **Feb. 21:** PWD Guest House, H.D. Kote, **Feb. 22:** PWD Guest House, K.R. Nagar, **Feb. 23:** Taluk office premises, Nanjangud, **Feb. 25:** PWD Guest House, Periyapatna and **Feb. 26:** PWD Guest House, Hunsur. The public can file complaints regarding demand for bribe, delay in works and such other grievances. The public can call Ph: 0821-2521100.

MCC Double Billing Scam

Probe Committee to submit report to Government

Mysuru, Feb.18 (RK&SR)-The Probe Committee which is constituted by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) in connection with MG Road Double Billing Scam where Rs.1.4 crore was allegedly siphoned off by submitting two bills for the same work has decided to submit a detailed report to the State Government recommending action against the guilty officials as allegations have been found true.

The panel, headed by Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, which conducted meetings for more than three days conducted a spot inspection recently on MG Road stretch along with engineers and officials.

The Committee found that the contractor and officials involved in the scam had violated the norms in road asphalting and had produced different bills for the same work.

The Committee has decided to submit a report to the government with all supporting documents like fake bills, amount paid and other relevant records.

The Committee inspected MG Road from District Court Complex to Siddappa Square focussing on the asphalting work, covering the length and width of the asphalted portion, quantity of materials used, equipment used for the job and the quality of the works undertaken.

They also examined median parameters, interlocking tiles and concrete blocks used for the purpose and collected information and documented them.

Probe Committee members R. Rangaswamy, Dy. Mayor Shafi Ahmed, Lakshmi, H.M. Shanthakumari, Prema, Shivakumar, M.V. Ramprasad, Engineers Ravikumar, Kiran, Kuberappa, Somashekarappa and accused Assistant Commissioner Sunil Babu and Junior Engineer M.N. Mohanakumari were present during the inspection.

Yaduveer bats for saving Lansdowne, Devaraja Market buildings

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (SPN&DM)- Strongly objecting to the MCC's decision to raze down Lansdowne and Devaraja Market buildings in the city, titular head of the Mysore Royal Family Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar has said that there will be no heritage buildings left in the city, if the authorities raze heritage structures one by one.

Speaking to press-persons after visiting Devaraja Market on Saturday, Yaduveer observed that there will be no meaning to the welcome arch set up by the MCC on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway that reads *'Samskrutika Nagari Mysoorige Swagatha,'* if the MCC demolishes the two iconic heritage structures in the heart of the city.

Maintaining that the MCC should immediately begin restorations works of the two structures, Yaduveer said that during his visit, many experts and traders told him that the Devaraj Market building was quite strong.

Stating that he came to know of the MCC's decision to pull down the two structures, through media, he said that an Expert Committee on heritage structures has given suggestions on restoring the buildings without demolishing them.

Pointing out that Lansdowne and Devaraja Market buildings are emotionally bonded with the citizens of Mysuru, Yaduveer emphasised on the need for saving the two heritage structures by restoring them using the latest technology.

Continuing, Yaduveer said there were hundreds of heritage structures in Mysuru, Bengaluru and other districts and it was important that all these structures are conserved. Noting that several heritage buildings in Rajasthan's capital city Jaipur, which were on the verge of collapse, have been restored using modern technology, he reiterated the need for saving the two iconic buildings of the city.

Heritage experts Prof. Rangaraju and Yashaswini Sharma, Devaraja Market Traders Association President Mahadevappa and others were present.

Obituary

T.S. Visweshwara Shastry

Mysuru, Feb.18- T,S. Visweshwara Shastry (58), Director of Akshaya Agro Sales Private Limited, Mysuru and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away last night at a private hospital in Mangaluru.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter, son-in-law and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill here this afternoon.

Machanda Kaveramma Subbaiah

Machanda Kaveramma Subbaiah (66), a resident of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Nagar on TN Pura Road in city passed away yesterday.

She leaves behind two sons, daughter-in-law, a grand daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

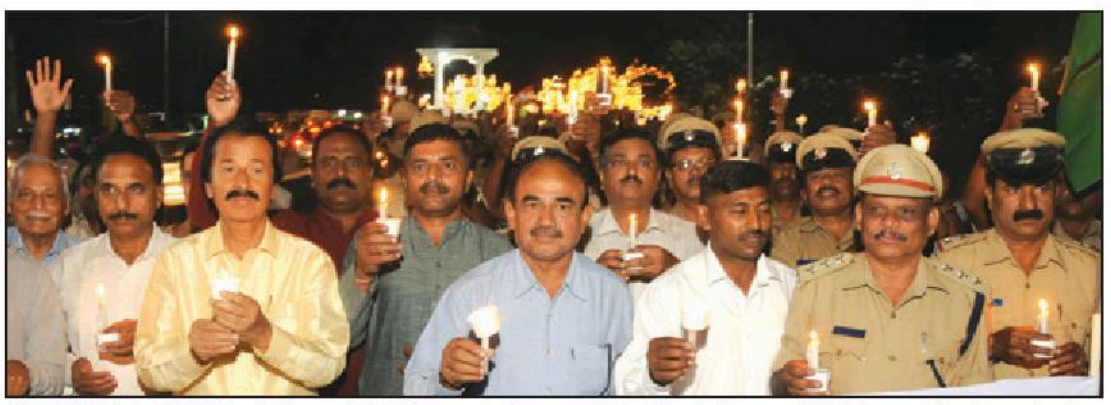
Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

KSRP, other organisations pay tribute to Pulwama martyrs

Mysuru, Feb.18 (MK&NNN)- Expressing solidarity with the families of the CRPF soldiers killed in the Pakistan-sponsored terrorist attack in Pulwama in Jammu & Kashmir, the KSRP personnel, Ex-Paramilitary Forces Welfare Association, Yoga Federation of Mysuru, Military Veterans Welfare Association and other organisations paid tribute to martyred soldiers.

They paid tributes by holding candle light at Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the north gate of the Mysore Palace here yesterday and condemned the heinous attack on the soldiers.

They formed a human chain at Gandhi Square and raised slogans in praise of the country and observed silence for the martyred soldiers. They also raised slogans for the Indian soldiers and assured them that they were standing by them.



CRPF IGP (retd.) K. Arkesh, former MLA Vasu and others participating in the candlelight march in city yesterday.

Later, CRPF IGP (retd.) K. Arkesh speaking said that Pakistan is trying to spread disunity in the country as it is not able to accept the fact that India is developing in all areas. Hence, not able to face the country directly, it is trying to indulge in cowardly acts.

Former MLA Vasu said that the Government should take care of the families of soldiers who have laid down their lives for the country and help in the education of their children. He would donate his one month's pension to the family of martyr Guru from Mandya. Even though it is not a big contribution, it is a token amount for the family, he said.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath said that the Mandya martyr Guru's wife is a role model for everyone. The way she saluted the mortal remains of her husband not only moved everyone's heart but also gave a ray of hope for every woman in distress.

Former Mayor S.L. Bhyrappa, former Corporator Prashanth Gowda, KSRP Commandant Raghunath, ACP D. Nagaraj, GSS Foundation's Srihari, Sri Patanjali Yoga Shikshana Samiti's A.R. Ramaswamy, Military Veterans Welfare Association President V.K. Adappa, Secretary P. Lakshman, ex-servicemen P.K. Biddappa, B.M. Gopal, K.L. Nagesh, P.C. Chengappa, A.S. Poovaiah and Karnataka Praja Party President Shivanna were present.

JATHA: More than 800 students including the faculty and Principal of Vidyavardhaka First Grade College held a jatha in memory of the martyred soldiers, recently.

The jatha began from the College premises on Seshadri Iyer Road and passed through Sayyaji Rao Road, Ayurveda Hospital Circle, then wound its way through J.K. Grounds, Devaraja Urs Road and then formed a human chain on JLB Road.

The students then garlanded the statue of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa at Metropole Circle. Later Principal Dr. S. Marigowda submitted a memorandum to the DC at the DC's Office.

Milli Council pays homage; Churches hold special prayers

Members of All India Milli Council (AIMC), led by Sir Khazi of Mysuru Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff, MLA Tanveer Sait, AIMC President Moulana Zakaulla, Haj Committee Member Suhail Baig and others, paying homage to the martyrs. Picture right shows Rev. Daniel J. Koundinya, Presbyter of St. Bartholomew's Church, leading a prayer at the Church last evening.

Mysuru, Feb.18 (YDS&KS)- Various organisations took out candle light processions in city on Saturday and paid homage to Pulwama martyrs.

All India Milli Council (AIMC): Hundreds of AIMC members, led by Sir Khazi of Mysuru Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff, MLA Tanveer Sait, Haj Committee Member and former Corporator Suhail Baig, took out a candle light procession to pay homage to the Pulwama martyrs.

The members, holding candles and the National Flag, took out the procession from Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road passing through Meena Bazaar shouting 'Indian Army Zindabad' and returned on the same route before culminating at the starting point.

Condemning the deadly attack, MLA Tanveer Sait said that he would not stand for any religion or party when it comes to the issue of the country and added that he had never seen such a gruesome incident besides venting his ire on the terrorists for the cowardly attack on Indian soldiers.

Meanwhile, Haj Committee Member and former Corporator Suhail Baig, speaking to *SOM*, condemned the heinous act by the terrorists and said that India is a peace loving country and always look for peace with its neighbouring countries but such a ghastly and cowardly attack on our soldiers who guard our nation for our safety is condemnable.

The AIMC members have urged the Central Government to take stern action against the terrorists without any mercy.

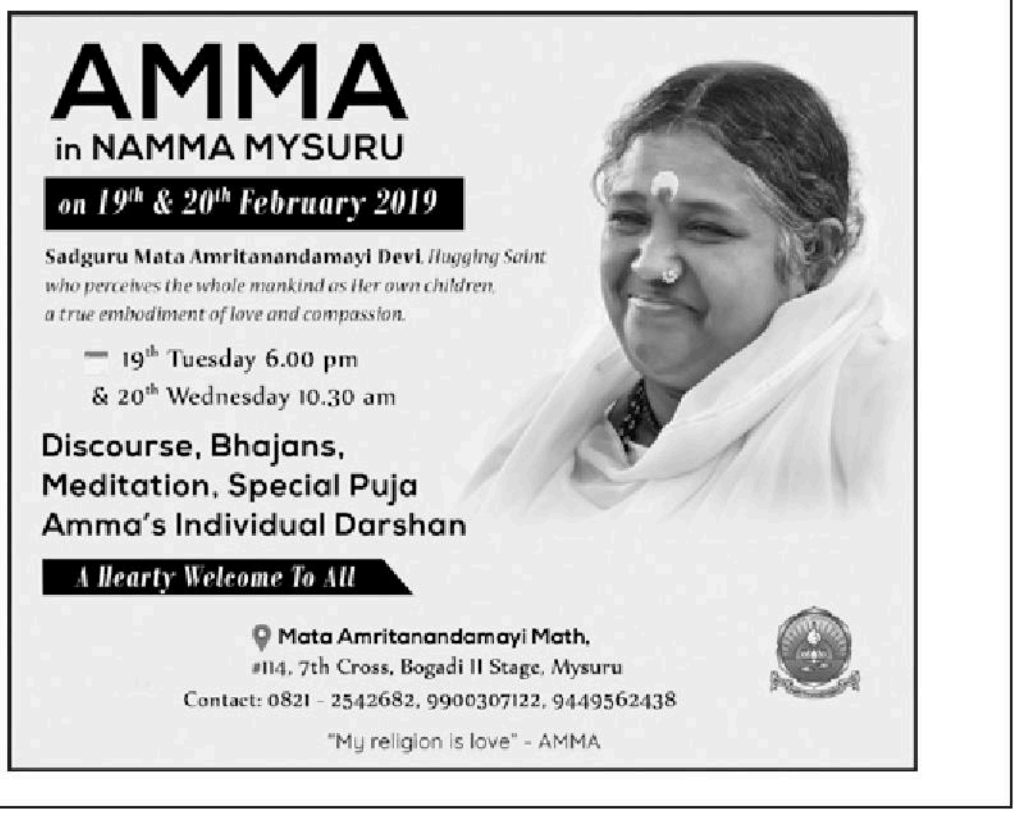
AIMC President Hazarath Zakaulla, Mohammed Khan, Tippu and others were present.

Meanwhile, members of Ganigara Sangha, traders on K.T. Street, Karnataka Rural Primary School Teachers Association, and Mysuru Electronic Dealers Association paid candle light homage to the martyrs and condemned the attack.

Theatre artistes too paid homage to the martyrs at Kalamandira premises while the residents of Parasaiahnahundi lit candles on Srirampura Ring Road and paid homage to the martyrs.

Catholic Diocese of Mysore: The Catholic Diocese of Mysore, under the leadership of Bishop of Mysore Most Rev. Dr. K.A. William, has condoled the death of CRPF personnel who were killed by the terrorists.

A press release from Msgr. Leslie Moras, PRO, Diocese of Mysore, said that special prayers were held yesterday at all Churches for the repose of departed soldiers and give strength to the bereaved families.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MCC's move on two historic buildings

Furore on Facebook

By Gouri Satya
Sr.Journalist

The decision of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to knock-down the two historic buildings — the Lansdowne Building and the Devaraja Market — has resulted in immense consternation on the social media platform with many netizens expressing their condemnation of the decision taken by the MCC without consulting the stakeholders or expert conservationists and merely acting on the recommendation of the Task Force, which had no conservation architects in the Committee.

The article by this author published in *Star of Mysore (SOM)* on February 2, under the title, *"Heritage laid bare: The crumbling Lansdowne Building,"* has received response from a large section of the members of Facebook, many sharing the link and posting their comments and also sharing other links of related reports published in this newspaper, including *Star of Mysore* Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy's *"To raze or not to raze."*

The lovers of the royal legacy of Mysuru, who have strongly reacted include Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar of the royal family, Alyia Phelps-Gardiner-Krumbiegel, great grand-daughter of Gustav Herman Krumbiegel, the German botanist-architect known for his invaluable work in Lalbagh and other gardens in Bengaluru and Mysuru, Raja Chandra of the Mysore Royal family, Dr. N.S. Rangaraju, former Professor of Ancient History and Archaeology, University of Mysore, and civil society groups including Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) and 'Heritage Beku' of Bengaluru.

Opposition from royalty

Strongly disapproving the MCC decision, Yaduveer, the brand Ambassador for the civic body's *'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan,'* has said both in Kannada and English in his Facebook page that the MCC's resolution "is an extremely disturbing stance." It went against the very ideals that the MCC should protect our inherited heritage. The consensus opinion of various concerned bodies was that these heritage structures can be restored and can be of utility."

Drawing attention to the MCC to its responsibility to protect the city's inherited heritage, he said, "We now have a lack of trust in the MCC's capability to ensure protection and safeguarding of our heritage in Mysore." He cautioned that the Mysuru's 'Heritage City' tag itself would be in jeopardy if we went about demolishing every structure and taking the easy way out. These structures were in the current condition only because of the negligence and disregard shown to them by the authorities — a view shared by many others.

He proposed to the Government to handover the restoration to a reputable organisation that has the capability to restore the structures, and ensure our built heritage remained standing for future generations to enjoy. Many of his followers have supported Yaduveer.

A move not justified

In an interview published in a local Kannada daily, former MCC Commissioner Raikar said only a portion of the Lansdowne Building had collapsed and rest of the portion was intact. If timely precaution had been taken, this would not have happened. But due to certain reasons this was not possible. Stating that the MCC's decision to demolish it and rebuild a similar one was not justified, the former MCC Commissioner said the structure was of great value to the city in the heart of the city's life. It would be a misadventure to demolish any heritage building and would not vouch for the prestige of the MCC. Both the heritage buildings which mark the unforgettable cultural and historic traditions of Mysuru should be restored in order to retain the heritage merit of Mysuru.

Alyia Phelps Gardiner Krumbiegel opposes

Reacting to the MCC's resolution, Alyia Phelps Gardiner Krumbiegel said Mysore, like in India, had a rich heritage that speaks of our glorious past. There is no doubt that preservation, conservation and restoration of the heritage buildings was of utmost importance. They should be conserved and preserved as they are part of our ancestral property. The Devaraja Market and the Lansdowne Building absolutely needed restoration, she said, adding she would write to the Chief Minister against the MCC's decision.

Sharply reacting to the proposed demolition, Raja Chandra described the move as "shocking." He drew the attention to the statement of Prof. Rangaraju who has described the MCC Council's decision as shocking and illogical, and his warning that Mysuru may lose the 'Heritage City' tag.

Venugopala Swamy Temple example

A respondent to his post, Archana Urs has commented even if the MCC wants to rebuild it, it has to take a blue print of the original building and details inch-by-inch to do justice to its old architecture and style. Then only one could agree its re-construction, she said, citing the example of Venugopala Swamy Temple that has been restored in its original shape, size and impressive architecture by Khoday Foundation at Hosa Kannambadi village near Krishna Raja Sagar Dam.

Posting links to the *SOM* reports, Raja Chandra said a campaign to right to recall and referendum was needed.

Many in Raja Chandra's group have posted comments supporting his statement. Alyia reacted saying it was crazy to tear a building down. "In the pursuit of sustainable development, communities have much to gain from adapting and reusing buildings. Bypassing the wasteful process of demolition and reconstruction alone makes adaptive reuse attractive. Environmental benefits, combined with energy savings and the social advantage of re-purposing a place with valued heritage, make adaptive reuse an essential component of sustainable development. Historic buildings provide a glimpse of our past while lending character and serving a new practical purpose in our modern communities," she said.

Absence of heritage experts

Prof. Rangaraju, who is also a member of the Heritage Improvement and Restoration Committee (HIRC), said the Task Force Committee, which had recommended demolition and rebuilding on the reason that both the buildings were weak, had no heritage expert in its Committee as all the experts were civil engineers. He has pointed out that no effort was made to find out the reason for the collapse of the northern entrance of the Devaraja Market. At least now an enquiry must be conducted.

"Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Buildings can be restored without being demolished and there are experts who can conserve these structures," the Professor said, adding all the 14 Palaces and heritage structures in Mysuru should be declared as heritage buildings. The Government should come forward to preserve the heritage structures as Mysuru City is called Heritage City, he said.

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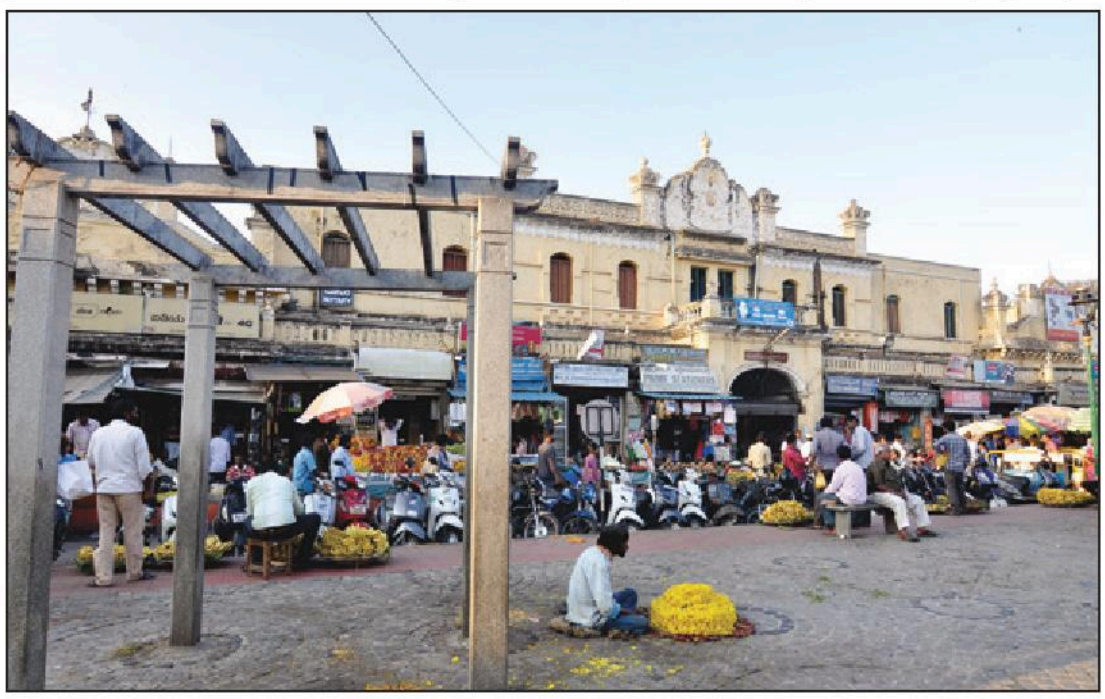

Kumbha Mela at T. Narasipur

Punya Snana tomorrow

from 9.15 am to 11.45 am

Mysuru District in-Charge Minister G.T. Devegowda, who formally inaugurated the Kumbha Mela last evening, being accorded Purnakumbha welcome.

T. Narasipur, Feb.18 (SK& BCT)- The three-day Kumbha Mela at Tirumakudlu Narasipur saw thousands throng the place to take a holy dip in Triveni Sangam yesterday.

The 11th edition of Kumbha Mela is being held at T. Narasipur, which is where Cauvery, Kapila and Spatika rivers meet. It is expected to attract at least 10 lakh devotees from Mysuru, Mandya, Bengaluru as well as the neighbouring States of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh.

The Kumbha Mela, started in 1989 by late Adichunchanagiri Seer Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji, Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji of Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Shivapuri Swamiji of Rambhapuri Mutt, is a popular event in South India.

T. Narsipur is considered one of the sacred pilgrim centres, which draws devotees from distant places, and the Kumbha Mela here is held once in three years to coincide with the events that take place by rotation at Prayagraj, Ujjain, Nashik, and Haridwar once in 12 years.

The event started with a special puja at Agasthyeshwara Swamy Temple yesterday morning and the Mela was formally inaugurated by District in-Charge Minister G.T. Devegowda later in the evening.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that the tradition and religious culture of the State should be protected for the future. A flowing river was equated to mother symbolising emotion, devotion and purity. The Triveni Sangam would be developed as tourist spot to devotees visit regularly, he added.

The Priests and Seers have fixed the timings for 'Punya Snana' for Tuesday from 9.15 am to 11.45 am when thousands of people are expected to take the holy dip. Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy and some of his Cabinet colleagues too are expected to take part in it.

The District Administration and the Department of Kannada and Culture have planned a grand cultural procession on Monday from 4 pm onwards. Besides, cultural programmes will be held at the Cauvery, Kapila and Triveni Sangama Vedike set up for the purpose during mornings and evenings.

Adichunchanagiri Mutt Mysuru branch Seer Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji, Bengaluru-based Kailasa Ashrama's Jayendra Puri Swamiji, Benakanahalli Bhakta Kanakadasa Doreswamy, MP R. Dhruvanarayan, MLAs Yathindra Siddharamaiah and Ashwin Kumar and others were present.

120 Pourakarmikas maintain cleanliness

Over 120 Pourakarmikas have been deployed to keep the town clean in the wake of lakhs of devotees coming to have a holy dip at the Triveni Sangam.

They start their duties at five in the morning and are tasked with sweeping as well as collecting garbage strewn in the Kumbha Mela surroundings. They have to remove offerings like flowers and coconut shells left by the devotees.

They are sanitising the whole premises with disinfectants and clearing out garbage in the dustbins and the ones left over by devotees. They were also seen cleaning the stairs to the river where devotees were performing the sacred dip as well as clearing out the clothes left in the water by them.

They were also seen cleaning mobile chemical toilets set up on the premises. Over 120 Pourakarmikas have been deployed on a temporary basis for the three-day event and they will be working in batches of 40 across three shifts to ensure cleanliness. Apart from them, the areas will be monitored by permanent Pourakarmikas of the Municipality.

In order to check the usage of plastic at the event, volunteers of NSS and Yuva Brigade are being utilised to convince and sensitize the devotees against using them.

Food Inspectors to check quality of meals

Food Safety Officers have been deployed to inspect the quality of meals being served at the Kumbha Mela. The organisers have made arrangements for serving meals to thousands of devotees expected to turn up over the three days. As part of the Dasoha programme, devotees will be served rice, sambar and a vegetable dish.

Apart from three Food Safety Officers, who will inspect all raw materials for the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) mark before allowing them to be used in the preparation of food, Mysuru District Vector-borne Diseases Control Officer S. Chidambara and Mysuru District Surveillance Officer, Health and Family Welfare Department, Kusuma, have also been deputed to oversee the preparation and serving of meals.

Dr. Chidambara said that the raw materials come in packets. "We will not allow packets without FSSAI mark." The quality of water and cleanliness of utensils used in cooking will be checked, he said. Cooks and personnel employed to serve meals will have to undergo medical check-up. "Our teams will check if they are suffering from any communicable disease. We will also check their personal hygiene. We will advise them to cover their hair and use gloves wherever necessary," he said.

A sample of the food will first be tested for quality and consumed by the Food Inspectors before it is served to devotees.

The food will be served at JSS Bhavan, Adichunchanagiri Bhavan, and a tent put up for Police personnel.

Gunjanarasimhaswamy Temple is a 'Gunja' more than Kashi

Thousands of people come to T. Narasipur to visit the ancient temple dedicated to Lord Narasimhaswamy. The Temple is popularly known as Gunjanarasimhaswamy Temple.

The legend of the idol is that a washerman (dhobi) had a dream in which Lord Narasimha asked him to remove his idol below an anthill and construct a temple for him. The washerman then asked the Lord where he will get the money to build a temple.

The Lord tells him to look under the washing stone for money and the washerman finds the money and constructs the sanctum sanctorum for the Temple. The Lord then asks the washerman a boon for having built the temple and he requests a visit to the holy Kashi in Varanasi.

To this, the Lord tells him that from now on the 'Punya' received to devotees who visit Gunjanarasimhaswamy Temple will be a 'Gunja' more than Kashi. The Lord also declared T. Narasipur as Dakshina Kashi.

At the Temple, Lord Narasimha's idol is depicted holding a weighing balance with a twig of Gunja plant and hence the name Gunjanarasimhaswamy. This signifies the importance of T. Narasipur Vs the Kashi by a Gunja seed. 'Gunja' is known as 'Gulaganji' in Kannada.

Like the confluence of Ganga, Yamuna and Saraswathi in Kashi, here it is the confluence of Kaveri, Kapila and Spatika Sarovara Rivers. The washerman seeks 'Moksha' and the Lord grants him his wish.

The 'hochalu' (threshold of the door) is carved with images of the washerman and his wife as it was their wish to be touched by the devotees' feet.

[Source: T. Narasipur Town Municipal Council website]

Fifteen Law Courts shifted to new Complex at Jayanagar

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The sprawling Malalavadi Court Complex, which was inaugurated by the then High Court Judge N.K. Patil on Jan.3, 2015, has fire extinguishers, drinking water facilities, adequate two-wheeler and four-wheeler parking space, a canteen, a lush green lawn with a fountain and other civic amenities.

The premises has solar street lights, with separate entry and exit gates. The Court Complex is a five-storeyed structure (G+4) having an underground vehicle parking facility with a concrete ramp.

The premises also has a separate ADR (Alternative Disputes Redressal) Centre, which houses Mysuru District Legal Services Authority (MDLSA), Mysuru Mediation Centre and Permanent Lok Adalat, Mysuru.

The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has installed about 40 (fixed) dustbins in the premises to ensure a litter-free campus.

The construction of additional floors of Vakilara Bhavan (Bar Association Building) in the premises, which was inaugurated by the then CM Siddharamaiah on Sept.14, 2016, is going on at a brisk pace. Surveillance Cameras are installed at key points.

The premises also houses a spacious fire pump enclosure to meet any emergencies. The Main Court Hall has two entrances. Security rooms have been built at the entry and exit gates.

Two more Courts to function from Feb.25: Even as the fifteen Courts started functioning from Malalavadi Court Complex from today, two more Courts will start functioning from this Complex from Feb.25.

The Labour Court, Mysuru and the Industrial Tribunal, Mysuru, which are currently functioning from a premises located on Vishwamanava Double Road, will be shifted to the ADR Centre in the Complex.

Also, the Principal Court for Small Causes and the Additional Court for Small Causes, Mysuru, which were hitherto functioning from ADR Centre in Malalavadi Court Complex, will be shifted to the City Law Courts Complex in Chamarajapuram and start functioning from here from Feb.25.

Mata Amritanandamayi Devi in city on Feb.19 and 20

Mysuru, Feb. 18- Mata Amritanandamayi, fondly known as Amma all over the globe, is arriving in Mysuru for the *Brahmastanam Varshikotsava* to be held on Feb. 19 and 20 at Mata Amritanandamayi Mutt premises in Bogadi 2nd Stage.

The programme begins at 6 pm tomorrow. Higher Education and District-in-charge Minister G.T. Devegowda will be the chief guest. Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh and Mysore University Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar will be present.

Bhajans, Satsang and Dhyana will take place followed by Amma's darshan, where she individually blesses everyone with a hug. Maha Ganapathi homa, Maha Sudharshana homa, Maha Mrutyunjaya homa, Navagraha homa, dawn to dusk chanting of Sri Lalita Sahasranama will also take place at the Mutt. Devotees including foreigners are expected to participate in the 2-day celebrations. For more information contact Ph: 0822-2542682 or Mob: 9900307122 or 9449562438, according to a press release from S. Arun Kumar, Press and Media Co-ordinator.

Pulwama Mastermind Shot Dead

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The firing resumed around 9 am as the forces assessed that two or three Jaish terrorists were still hiding in the area. Personnel of the 55 Rashtriya Rifles, two battalions of the CRPF and the Special Operation Group of the Jammu and Kashmir Police were involved in the encounter. Two soldiers have been injured.

WHO WAS GHAZI?

Ghazi had a narrow escape during an encounter which took place days before the vehicle-borne IED (Improvised Explosive Device) attack on CRPF convoy. Ghazi was an Afghan war veteran and an IED specialist.

Ghazi was one of the closest and most trusted aide of Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Maulana Masood Azhar. He was believed to be in his mid thirties and joined Jaish more than a decade ago. He had been trained in warfare techniques and IED preparation by the Taliban and was known to be one of the finest hands of Jaish.

ATTACK WAS PLANNED FOR FEB.9

Ghazi was sent to the Valley after security forced killed Masood Azhar's nephew, Usman, who was a highly trained sniper. Soon after his killing, Jaish-e-Mohammed released a statement vowing to seek revenge.

Azhar had already been seething for revenge after the death of his first nephew Talha Rasheed who was killed in 2017. Azhar sent Ghazi and two other top commanders to the Valley in the first week of December who then began to give final shape of a deadly plan which was to be executed around Feb. 9, the death anniversary of Parliament attack mastermind Afzal Guru. However, the militants could not execute the attack due to heavy presence of security forces.

Three-day BSNL strike begins

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (RK&BCT)- Employees of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in Mysuru began their three-day strike this morning in support of their demands. The strike was observed in response to the nationwide strike called by All Unions and Associations of BSNL (AUAB), New Delhi. The AUAB, Karnataka Circle, Bengaluru, has also supported the strike. There are over 600 BSNL employees in Mysuru city and 1,500 employees in the district. Today, only employees and non-executive employees struck work while executives and heads stayed away.

Striking employees assembled in front of BSNL offices at Jayalakshmipuram and Nazarbad and shouted slogans against the government against what they called a move to close down BSNL by denying a level playing field to the company to compete with private players.

The employees are demanding benefits under Pay Revision Committee and this includes 15% increase in salary for executives and for non-executives, increment should be as per eighth wage negotiations, effective Jan. 1, 2017. They have asked for revision of pension for BSNL retirees and delinking pension with pay revision.

The striking workers are demanding the allocation of the critical 4G spectrum to BSNL, which will help the loss-making entity to revive and survive. In Mysuru, the strike is led by BSNL Mysuru Employees Association President Nagendra, Convener R. Ganesh and Secretary N. Subramanya.

Meanwhile, the government has assured the agitating employees that it will address their pending demands as well as initiate steps to revive BSNL. The government has refuted these reports and has declared that BSNL will not shut down.

Felicitation to NCC cadets tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb. 18 - Six NCC cadets of 13 Kar Bn NCC, Mysuru, who were part of the NCC Contingent of Karnataka & Goa in the Republic Day-2019 Camp at Delhi, will be felicitated at a function to be held at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall in city tomorrow (Feb. 19) at 11 am.

They are Cadets Likhita, Jaswanth, Aryan, Dharmraj, Prabhu and Arvinda.

Star of Mysore Managing Editor Vikram Muthanna will be the chief guest. Commanding Officer of the Bn. Col. Manjeet Singh, Lt. Col. Jagdish Nair and others will be present.

For Gudigere villagers Guru's death is yet to sink in

Martyr's mother offers her second son to the service of Nation

People visiting Mellahalli and performing puja at martyr H. Guru's cremation site yesterday.

Martyr H. Guru

Mandya, Feb.18- The killing of H. Guru, a CRPF sepoy, has brought a cloud of gloom over Gudigere in Mandya district. Villagers are still in a state of grief over the death of their valiant son.

Guru had joined the CRPF in 2011 after serving in Jharkhand as part of the 94th Battalion. He belonged to the 82nd Battalion of the CRPF and was posted in Srinagar. He had spent fifteen days at his home and is fondly remembered by his friends and family members. He was travelling along with his fellow troopers from Jammu to Srinagar when the devastating attack took place in Pulwama district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Hundreds of people from nearby villages, members of various organisations, officials and political leaders thronged Mellahalli yesterday to pay homage to Guru at the place where he was cremated. Guru is the eldest son of Honnaiah and Chikkolamma and Mellahalli is about 1 km from his village Gudigere Colony.

As the public was not allowed to pay last respects to Guru on Saturday owing to the delayed arrival of the mortal remains, many people visited Mellahalli and performed puja at his cremation site yesterday. They also collected ashes from the place.

The bereaved family and villagers are still distraught as Guru's death is yet to sink in. His mother Chikkolamma and hundreds of villagers and people from outside visited the cremation ground. Guru's mother was inconsolable remembering her son's promise that he would return in April and spend time with her. "My son is no more and that is truth," she said.

"I have sacrificed a son in Mother India's service and I will send my other son H. Anand as well to fight. I am ready to give him up for Mother India, but Pakistan must be given a befitting reply," she said. "We are proud of our son for sacrificing his life for the country. I am ready to send Anand (a Home Guard) to serve in the military. The Central Government should consider our request," she said.

Chikkolamma said Guru had not informed them initially that he had joined the CRPF. According to her, Guru had told them he was joining the Police Department. Only after several months, they came to know that he had joined the CRPF, she said.

Guru's wife Kalavathi too has urged the Government to give her an opportunity to serve the nation. "I want to serve the country in whichever capacity. My husband laid down his life for Mother India and seeing his supreme sacrifice, I am inspired," Kalavathi told reporters yesterday.

Guru's father Honnaiah said that his son is not dead. "My son is alive in all the hearts. He has become immortal," he said, with tears in his eyes. "It is very difficult to have a son like this. I am fortunate to have Guru as my son. What else a father desires," he said.

Actors Rishab Shetty and Haripriya, along with team members of their Kannada film 'Bell Bottom,' visited Mellahalli and spoke to the bereaved family.

They handed over a cheque for Rs.25,000 to the family.

Congress leader Amaravathi Chandrashekar from Mandya handed over a cheque for Rs.1 lakh to Chikkolamma.

Yadavagiri Residents Welfare Association mourns Pulwama martyrs

Members of Yadavagiri Residents Welfare Association held candlelights and paid homage to the martyrs of Pulwama terror attack on Saturday evening at Yadavagiri in city.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client has been negotiating with one Sri. H. THYAGARAJU, S/o Late D. Halagegowda, residing at # 8, 8th Main, 8th Cross, Kamakshi Hospital Road, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru-09. for purchase of the schedule property.

If anybody has got any claim pertaining to the schedule property, they may notify the same to the undersigned with documentary proof within Ten days from the date of this publication. If no claim or objection is received within the said period, then our client will proceed to complete the transaction treating that there is no claim by anybody in respect of the schedule property. Any subsequent objections, if any will not bind our client in any manner.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of site property bearing No. 1007, situated at 'I' Block, Dattagalli Extension, Chamaraja Mohalla, Mysuru, measuring East-West: 24.4 Meters and North-South 15.2 Meters, on all 370.88 Square Meters, vacant site bounded on East Site # 30/C and 31 (Dattagalli A and B Block), West: by Road, North: by Site # 1008, South by Site # 1006.

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Date: 16.2.2019

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, our client **Mr. Althaf Pasha,** S/o. Late Shaik Peer, resident of # 105, 3rd Main, C Layout, Bannimantap, Mysuru has entered into an Agreement of Sale with Nanjunde Gowda and others, our client field a suit before the Small Causes court at Mysuru bearing No.O.S. 55/2006. The Hon'ble Court decreed the suit of our client and directed the Sharath Kumar and Bharath Kumar to execute the Sale Deed in favour of our client. During the pendency of the suit when the injunction order was in force, one Aslam Ahmed and Fazrulla Shariff created a sham document of sale deed colluding with the above said Nanjunde gowda and others. The Hon'ble small causes court narrated in the judgement O.S. 55/2006 the said Aslam Ahmed and Fazrulla Shariff are not bonafide purchasers and the said sale deeds are null and void. The said Sharath Kumar and Bharath Kumar preferred an Appeal against the order of the trial court before the hon'ble 7th Addl District and Session Judge at Mysuru confirmed theorder of Small Causes court at Mysuru and again the said Sharath Kumar and Bharath Kumar preferred the RSA 2018/2016 before the Hon'ble High Court. In the said case also the Hon'ble High court dismissed the appeal imposing the cost of Rs. 1,00,000/- and saying that the said Aslam Ahmed and Fazrulla sheriff are not bonafide purchasers and their sale deeds are null and void.

Our client has filed the execution petition before the Hon'ble Small Causes court at Mysuru for the execution of Sale Deed through the agency of the court in respect of the schedule property.

Now it is reliably learnt by our client that, the said Aslam Ahmed by suppressing the above said fact, making hectic efforts to sell the Schedule Property in favour of others. Hence, the General Public are hereby cautioned that not to venture any sort of transaction pertaining to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE

Land bearing Survey Number 170/2 (now after pode 170/4), situated at Devanuru Grama, Kasaba Hobl, Mysuru taluk now known as Rajiv Nagara within the Mysuru city corporation limits, bounded on: East by: Property of K Nanjunde Gowda, West by: Property bearing Sy. No. 169, North by: Property of Sy. No. 171, South by: Road and water drainage measuring 20 Gunta of Land.

Place: Mysore

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Balancing through colours

Colours play a vital role in the design and energy flow and Feng Shui emphasises on the choice of correct colours to create right harmony.

Colours can be broadly classified as Yin and Yang based on the hues, shades and the Feng Shui element it symbolises. Colours in the science of Feng Shui have a lot to do with the direction which the building faces. There are different colours that Feng Shui defines for the use in exterior facades of your house and also for the interior colours. A proper choice of colours and a mix and match not only enhances the beauty of the home but it also generates the right energy and feel good factor.

If for example the building faces South which means it is sitting North and North represents water element in Feng Shui hence a choice of colour in the family of white, grey or blue enhances the flow of Chi. If say the building is facing East which means it is sitting West and West represents Metal element a good choice of colour would be earth tones, Pale Yellow or metal tones for enhancing the positive energies of the house.

Plant sprouting out of earth raises upwards, hence a small plant is Yin energy at inception and as point grows towards the sky, the energy gets diffused and dissipated. Yin colours according to Feng Shui are the colours that bring about healing and relaxation, hence Yin energies can be classified in terms of colours as shades of blue, black, green etc.

• The colour Purple is excellent for physical and mental healing and Feng Shui associates it with spiritual awareness and awakening.

• Colour Blue is the colour of the sea and sky, Feng Shui associates it with adventure and exploration. Navy blue is the colour of intellect and wisdom.

• The colours gold or silver is said to generate a calm Chi or atmosphere.

On the other hand, Yang colours are those which signify fire and wood elements. Feng Shui propagates that these are the colours that provide enthusiasm, positive energy required to do something and be motivated.

• The colours Yellow & Red represents sunbeams, warmth, motion, cheerfulness and friendliness.

• The colour orange signifies for Feng Shui practice as it strengthens your concentration.

• Apart from the above, colours like Tan, Brown, Red, Beige Maroon Lilac and gold symbolises money, luck and relationship.

In the science of Feng Shui, colours play a meaningful role and its essential to understand the purpose of moderating or tweaking the colours based on the needs and application in a home or office.

Choosing the right combination of colours ensures that the Feng Shui of the space is in balance and also it aids in activating prosperity and in some cases it also helps in countering Feng Shui afflictions.

Creating the right balance based on the compass direction of the property using colours is a skilful and powerful Feng Shui application.

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City schools celebrate Annual Day

AL-KABIR SCHOOL: ***The 36th Annual Day celebration of Al-Kabir Primary and High School, S.S. Nagar, Bannimantap 'B' Layout, was held in the recently. MLA Tanveer Sait is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the celebrations as*** *(from right)* ***School Office Executive Noor Ayesh, Secretary Reshma Samiulla, President Samiulla Khan, Prof. Nabijan, Aftab and Mohammed Khaleel Affu look on. Picture alongside shows children presenting a dance on the occasion.***

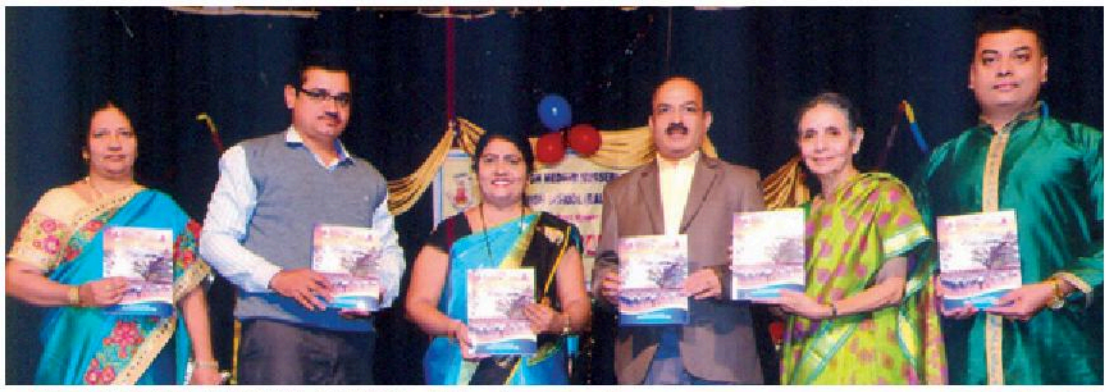
TINY TOTS PRESCHOOL, VIDYARANYAPURAM: The Annual Day of the School was held at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha in city recently. Dr. S. Madhusudan, formerly Associate Professor and Consultant Orthodontist & Dento Facial Orthopedics, was the chief guest.

S. Swarupa, Principal and Managing Director of the School, read the annual report.

Winners of rhymes recitation, storytelling, fancy dress, sports day events were also felicitated during the occasion.

Pradeep, Managing Trustee of the School, was also present.

The programme was followed by cultural events presented by toddlers — dancing to semi classical songs and Bharatanatyam, sloka & rhymes recitation and fashion show.



JSS ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL (BALAJAGATH): The Annual Day of the School was celebrated at Jaganmohan Palace in city recently. Bhramara Trust Managing Trustee Madhuri Thathachari, Bharatanatyam artiste *Natyasri* Badari Divya Bhushan, SJCE Principal T.N. Nagabhushan, Head Mistress H.M. Shylaja, Prakash and Ameena Begaum are seen releasing the school magazine 'Jnana Sourabha.' Picture alongside shows a group of students presenting a dance performance during the occasion.

Chess: Ajith triumphs

A group photo of winners in various categories of the Mysore District Chess Associations Open Chess Tourney held at the University Lions Hall in city on Sunday.

Mysuru, Feb.18- Mysuru lad M.P. Ajith and V.P.S. Darshan (CAR, Police Training School, Mysuru), tied with 6.5 points from seven rounds, but the former's better tie-break score of 32.75 to the latter's 29.25, enabled Ajith to clinch the title in the Open category in the MDCA Open Chess Tournament conducted by MDCA at the University Gymnasium Hall here yesterday.

V.P.S. Darshan finished second, while Chandrashekara Mayuraditya (6pts-26.50), Prasiddhi Bhat (6 points, 23) and Sanath K. Jamadagni (6 points, 22.50) secured third, fourth and fifth places.

The Open winners were given cash prizes while the category winners in the boys and girls sections were given trophies.

The prizes to the winners were given away by K.R. Premaleela, Senior chess player, Krishnamurthy, Sudharshan and K.R. Shivarame Gowda.

Final Placings: Open

1. M.P. Ajith (6.5,32.75), **2.** V.P.S. Darshan (6.5,29.25), **3.** Chandrashekara Mayuraditya (6, 26.50), **4.** Prasiddhi Bhat (6, 23), **5.** Sanath K. Jamdagni (6, 22.50).

Boys — U-16: 1. Manukeerthi, **2.** M.G. Prameeth, **3.** I. Kalal; **U-12: 1.** Arnav Muralidhar **2.** P. Sukruth, **3.** P. Karthik; **U-8: 1.** Nivaan Raghavendra, **2.** Aarush S. Gowda, **3.** Saathvik Vishwanath.

Girls — U-16: 1. Sanjana G. Rao, **2.** Sadvini Girish, **3.** Sanidhya Girish; **U-12: 1.** Dhatri Umesh, **2.** Yashika R. Joshi, **3.** Nityashree Lokesha; **U-8: 1.** Diya Umesh, **2.** Dhrithi Madhusudhan, **3.** S. Yuvalaxitha.

Best veteran (Above 55 years) — Male: L. Seshadri; **Women:** K.R. Preemaleela.

Special Prize - Veteran Men: D.S. Venkatesha.

AITA Talent Series U-12 Tourney

Heeman Toli Prasad finishes runner-up

Heeman Toli Prasad

Mysuru, Feb.18- Heeman Toli Prasad, a 6th standard student of NPS International School, Vijayanagar, Mysuru, representing Karnataka in the National Talent Series U-12 Tennis Tournament conducted by Top Spin Tennis Academy, Bengaluru, from Feb.11 to 15, finished runner-up in the U-12 Boys Singles event.

In the final, top-seed G. Tanush (B'luru) beat Heeman Toli Prasad 6-, 6-2 to clinch the title.

In the semi-finals, H.T. Prasad had beaten Saksham Suman 6-3, 6-0 in the semi-finals.

Heeman Toli Prasad is being coached by R. Nagaraj at the Nagaraj Tennis Centre. He is the son of T.N. Prasad and Kavitha.

Medal-winning master athletes

The medal-winning athletes of the Mysore District Masters Athletic Association (MDMAA), who took part in the 40th National Masters Athletic Meet-2019 at Guntur from Feb.5 to 10, won 4 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze medal. Seen are (sitting from left) V. Rekha (silver medal), M. Yogendra (gold), C.B. Cheluve Gowda (3 gold) and T.G. Asha (one silver & one bronze); (standing from left) Mahadevaiah, P.G. Sathyanarayan (Hon.Secretary, MDMAA), K.N.Somashekar (Vice-President, MDMAA), Sumana Narasimhamurthy (President, MDMAA), M.P.Chandrashekar (Jt.Secretary, MDMAA) and C.R. Anand (Team Captain).

Wins bronze in Nationals

Jay Mehta with his trainer Sensei S. Prajwal.

Mysuru, Feb.18- Jay Mehta, a Grade 9 student of 'I Can The Learning Centre School,' represented Karnataka and won a Bronze Medal in Boys - Cadets Individual Kumite (+70 kg) category at the recently concluded National Karate Championship organised by Karate Association of India at J.J. Indoor Stadium in Chennai. Jay has been training under Sensei S. Prajwal at Prajwal Karate Dojo (PKD), Mysuru, since four years and is a brown belt in International Mabuni-Ha Shito-Ryu Karate Association (IMSKA) - India led by National Style Chief N.G. Shihan Sivdas.

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Runners in District Sub-Junior Throwball Championship

Both the boys and girls Throwball teams of Citizen Convent, Udayagiri, emerged runners-up in the District Sub-Junior Throwball Championship (2018-19), an Inter-School competition for U-14 boys and girls organised by Citizen Convent, Udayagiri and Mysore District Amateur Throwball Association, at the Convent premises recently. While boys team lost to Harohalli Government School, girls team lost to Gaeta Bhatia School, Siddartha Layout. Citizen Convent Boys team Caption Mohammed Zain is seen receiving the trophy from the guests during the prize distribution ceremony along with the team members (kneeling from left) Shamail Khan, Yaseen Ansari, Arfath Pasha, Sheik Affan, Syed Arfath, Syed Kareem, Md. Inzamulla, Md. Ifzan and Syed Rayan; Picture right shows Citizen Convent girls team Caption Syeda Aqsa receiving the trophy along with the team members (kneeling from left) Momin Muskan, Sameera Qureshi, Bi Bi Javeriya, Simran Kousar, Mehnaz Taskeen, Isra Noorain, Bi Bi Ayesha, Jayalaksmi and Madiha Mehek.

'Race for 7' Marathon on Mar.3 to create awareness about rare diseases

Race for 7' marathon poster was released by ORDI at a private hotel in city recently. Seen are (from left) Nandini, HR - Edin Bridge, Dr. Deepa Bhat, Genetic Counsellor, JSS Hospital, Prasanna Shirol, Co-founder, ORDI, Dr. P.A. Kushalappa, Director (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Dr. M. Suresh Babu, Deputy Director, JSS Hospital and Dr. K. Jagadish Kumar, HoD, Paediatrics, JSS Hospital.

Mysuru, Feb.18- JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSSAHER) in association with **Organisation For Rare Diseases of India (ORDI)** is organising 'Race for 7' Marathon on Mar.3. The marathon will begin from the North Gate of Mysore Palace near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at 6.30 am, said ORDI Co-Founder Prasanna Shirol.

He was addressing a press conference at a private hotel here recently and said that a lot of money is required to treat rare diseases. Hence to bring awareness about these rare diseases and to collect funds for the poor afflicted with rare diseases, the marathon has been organised.

Last year, ORDI had organised the marathon in Bengaluru and nearly 4,000 runners had participated, Prasanna said and added that 'Race for 7' means seven thousand rare diseases have been identified and new diseases are regularly described in medical literature. He further said that his own son has been a victim of this rare disease and hence the parents must be careful about such diseases.

JSS Associate Professor Dr. Deepa Bhat said that the number of rare diseases were increasing and added that those afflicted with this disease had to go to Bengaluru for treatment. However, since 2017 'Genetic Counselling Centre' has been opened in JSS Hospital and treatment is being given. Also a Rare Disease Care Co-ordination Centre (RDCCC) at the Paediatric Department has been opened at the Hospital, she added.

There is a practice among the rural people to marry among relatives. As a result the birth of healthy future generations becomes difficult because of these consanguineous marriages. To prevent this it is important to create awareness among them, she said. There is more number of cases related to rare diseases coming from Chamarajanagar, Madikeri, Maddur and Kollegal. In the last 18 months, 275 cases related to rare diseases have been identified in Mysuru District limits alone, she said.

A poster on the marathon was released on the occasion.

Registration for 'Race for 7'

The 'Race for 7' marathon, which begins at 6.30 am from the North Gate of the Mysore Palace, will pass through Devaraja Urs Road, JLB Road, Vinoba Road, Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade, Ramaswamy Circle, Chamaraja Double Road, Gun House Circle, Hardinge Circle and return to the starting point.

Those interested to participate may register their names by calling Mob: 70192-47339 or visit *http://registration.racefor7.com*. Those who complete the run will be presented with medals.

— Narasimhamurthy, Mysore Zone Head, ORDI

Ghana Panchaka Raga Vaibhava, 'Shreshta Acharya' title presentation

Dr. R.N. Srilatha

Mysuru, Feb.18-As part of its 23rd anniversary, the students of Sri Bhramaramba Sangeetha Vidyalaya (SBSV), Mysuru, will be performing on Feb.19 at 4 pm at its premises on 11th Cross, Basaveshwara Road.

Sangeetha Guru Vidushi Dr. R.N. Srilatha will be conferred the title 'Shreshta Acharya' at 5 pm. Shalini V. Murthy, Chairperson, SBSV, will preside. S.N. Yathiraja Sampathkumaran, Tahsildar, will be the chief guest. Sri Dattapadananda Swamiji of Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru, will grace the occasion.

Ghana Panchaka Raga Vaibhava, a grand musical presentation by Vidu. Dr. R.N. Srilatha and party will be held at 6 pm.

Attukal Pongala Mahotsava: Calling women

Mysuru, Feb.18- Karnataka Nair Service Society (KNSS), Mysore Karayogam Mahila Vibhag, Chandana, is organising Attukal Pongala Mahotsava on Feb. 20 from 8 am onwards at Sree Rajarajeswari temple, Visweswaranagara 3rd Stage, Industrial suburb, J.P. Nagar, Mysuru South.

Ladies interested to take part in this auspicious Pongala Mahotsava may register their names on the following mobile numbers: 9448487629, 9916736109, 9611073530 or 7829837335.

Registrations can also be made at the venue.

All the required items for Pongala will be provided at the venue, according to a press release from Ravi Menon, Secretary - KNSS Mysore.

MCC's move on two historic buildings

Furore on Facebook

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Turkey Grand Bazaar

Netizens have shared his statement published in *SOM,* wherein a similar demand has also been made by one more expert Prof. V. Deshpande and Prof. H.D. Nagesh, Principal, Wadiyar Centre for Architecture, saying that in Turkey the nearly 550-year-old Grand Bazaar had been preserved and attracted large number of people.

The MGP, which has been opposing the demolition of the two leading structures, is among the civil society groups which have raised their voice against the razing of the two commercial structures.

MGP has reiterated its demand for constitution of a new Committee comprising experts in the area of civil engineering and heritage conservation to go into the issue and give its recommendations within a short time. It said "an approach based on technical factors rather than 'political considerations' should guide us in shaping the future of course of action." Experts who had examined the structures had fully supported restoration of the two heritage properties, it added.

Plea to Chief Secretary

"Heritage Beku", a citizens' group of Bengaluru, has addressed a letter to the Chief Secretary, Karnataka Government, expressing shock over the MCC's decision and asking the Government to "pay heed to our citizen group by giving us a clear response, a hearing and a clear outline of why this is being done and what alternatives are being proposed to address the conservation of this beloved central part of Mysore."

The letter expressed its "unequivocal protest against this short term and retrograde move impacting our beloved state heritage" and said "Heritage Beku" looked forward to a prompt response and action.

Priya Chetty-Rajagopal of the "Heritage Beku" said the approach should be of restoration first and not demolish and rebuild as per heritage design. Bengaluru's Heritage Architect Yashaswini Sharma, sharing "Heritage Beku" letter on the social media platform, said the two building can be restored. The Devaraja Market wall collapse didn't happen on its own, as reported in this daily.

Vested interests behind move

There are many more netizens who have reacted sharply to the proposal of demolition and they include Ramaya Ramachandra, Jothindra Paranji, Vikram Sampath, Chandra Jain, Tulasi Srinivas, Palahalli Vishwanath, Basav Biradar, Gowri Karnum, Anu Ganesh, Bharat Narasipur Srikanta Sastry, Chandrakanth Raje Urs of Ursu Mandali, Marur Narendra Dev, Nishith, a student of Mysuru, Joseph Frankel, Archana Urs, Ganesh Kini, Dinakar Konanur, Conservation and Management Professional Antara Sharma, Rajeswari and many others.

A few of them have alleged vested interests behind the move. A few have suggested public petition and agitation. Another has remarked "they keep blabbing about our history and then knock down everything historical!"

There are one or two differing opinions too. One member has tweeted that the entire area should be converted into a big park with lots of trees, but, in the immediate next post, the same has been opposed by another member retorting Devaraja Market is an ecosystem supporting lives of thousands of people, everything would get ruined. Perhaps the best one is a tweet by a netizen exhibiting his excellent knowledge of heritage by commenting, a new structure after fifty years would become heritage !

Science Day: Entries invited for Kannada essay contest

Mysuru, Feb.18 (US) - As part of National Science Day, Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat has organised an essay competition on the subject *'Janathegagi Vijnana, Vijnanakkagi Janathe'* on Feb.28.

The essay should be not beyond 1,000 words and must be written only in Kannada. The people desirous to participate should send their personal details like full name, address, contact mobile phone number and e-mail address along with the essay.

The winner of the competition will get a cash prize and a citation. All the participants will receive certificates.

The essay should be submitted before Feb.23 to the Secretary, Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, 'Vijnana Bhavana' 24/2, 21st Main Road, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru.

The essay can be sent either by post or email to: *krvp.info@gmail.com.*

For more details call Ph: 080-26718939 or Mob: 94835-49159, according to a press release.

Four J&K students arrested on sedition charges

Bengaluru, Feb. 18 (UNI)- Four persons, including three nursing college students from Jammu & Kashmir, were arrested in Bengaluru yesterday for posting derogatory comments on Facebook about the Pulwama terror attack that resulted in the death of 44 CRPF personnel. With this, the total number of sedition cases booked in and around Bengaluru after the terror attack has reached four.

The arrested nursing college students are Haris Manzoor, Gowhar Mustaq and Zakir Maqbool. While Haris and Gowhar are students of Spoorthy College, Zakir Maqbool (IV year B.Sc) is a student of Chinai College. The trio stay together in a hostel in Marasuru in Anekal. They were arrested by the Surya Nagar Police based on a complaint filed by the Principal of the college on Saturday.

Based on the complaint, the Police arrested the trio charging them under Sections 124A (sedition) and 153A of the Indian

Faiz Rashid *Thahir Latif*

Penal Code that deals with the offence of promoting disharmony, enmity or feelings of hatred between different groups on the grounds of religion, race, place of birth, residence, language; Section 323 (assault), Section 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke breach of peace) and also under Section 13 (advocates, abets, advises or incites) of the Unlawful Activity (Prevention) Act, and remanded in judicial custody.

The trio admitted to posting the comments on FB to express solidarity with Pakistan, a senior Police officer said. In another case, the Cyber Crime Police on Sunday arrested a 20-year-old engineering dropout who put up a derogatory post on the Pulwama terror attack.

Based on a complaint by several people, Banaswadi Police have taken up a case. They picked up the accused, Faiz Rashid, a resident of HRBR Layout, from a bakery in Kamanahalli. Investigations revealed that he created an account just to put up provocative posts on the Pulwama terror attack.

He has been charged with sedition and also under various Section of the Unlawful Activity (Prevention) Act, and remanded in judicial custody. On Saturday, the Bagalur Police had arrested 22-year-old Thahir Shazad Latif from Baramulla, who is an engineering student in the city, and a third-year engineering student of Reva College in Yelahanka.

The HAL Police had booked a Kashmiri youth Aabid Malik for sedition for posting messages supporting the suicide bomber of the Pulwama terror attack and criticising the Army on social media.

MYSORE WINTER RACES 2019

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

'Vijaya Arjun' - may win

Mysuru, Feb.18 - Following are the selections for the II Extra Day Mysore Races to be held here tomorrow (19th February, 2019)

1.	2.00 PM	**THE ANTEQUERA PLATE** 1200 mts. (3 years - terms) *1. Country's Delight 2. Latin Dance*
2.	2.30 PM	**THE YAMUNA PLATE** 1100 mts. (rated 00 to 25) *1. One of a Kind 2. Ayahusca*
3.	3.00 PM	**THE VIJAYAVADA PLATE - DIV.II** 1200 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Sky Jet 2. Aldorado*
4.	3.30 PM	**THE AJANTHA PLATE** 1600 mts. (rated 40 to 65) *1. Anteros 2. Kaguya Himei*
5.	4.00 PM	**THE CRYSTALMAN PLATE** 1600 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Vijaya Arjun 2. Star Holiday*
6.	4.30 PM	**THE ANDOLANA TROPHY** 1400 mts. (rated 60 and above) *1. Perfecto 2. Eltycoon*
7.	5.00 PM	**THE KARKALA PLATE** 1400 mts. (rated 40 to 65) *1. New Beginning 2. Halloween's Way*
8.	5.30 PM	**THE VIJAYAWADA PLATE - DIV.I** 1200 mts. (rated 20 to 45) *1. Bandito 2. Blue Bird the Queen*

DAY'S BEST: *PERFECTO*
DOUBLE: *1. COUNTRY'S DELIGHT 2. VIJAYA ARJUN*
JACKPOT: *4,5,6,7,8*
I-TREBLE: *1,2,3;* ***II-TREBLE:****3,4,5;* ***III-TREBLE:*** *6,7,8*
EXACTAS: *7,8*

—Tipster PGC

City BJP condemns terror attack in Kashmir

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (RK&US)- Members of City BJP unit assembled at Gandhi Square here yesterday morning and staged a protest condemning the terror attack in Kashmir.

The protesters alleged that the life of soldiers were under threat whose security was prime now.

The BJP members observed two minute silence to pay homage to the CRPF personnel, who were killed in the attack.

District BJP President M. Shivanna, leaders Thontadarya, B.P. Manjunath. R. Raghu, Phaneesh, Rajesh, Prateesh, Prabhakar Shinde, Balachandra, Gokul Govardhan, Giridhar, Premkumar, Vignesh Bhat, M.J. Mahesh and others were present.

Protest rally at Delhi on Mar.31 for women's reservation

Mysuru, Feb.18 (MTY&NNN)- A protest rally is being organised on Mar.31 at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi at 3 pm demanding the implementation of Women's Reservation Bill and various other issues, said All India SC, ST, BC and Minorities Welfare Federation President Dr. N. Hanumanthappa.

He was addressing a press conference at Patrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday and said that this protest rally has been organised by the Federation. National President of the Federation R. N. Chandolia, General Secretary K. Nageshwara Rao, Treasurer M.S. Meena will lead the protest in which more than 10,000 people from all over the country will participate, he added.

In the name of cow slaughter, minorities are being killed by cow vigilantes and no action is being taken against them which is regrettable.

Prime Minster Modi who came to power promising jobs has failed to fulfil his promise. The students who have got Post Graduation degrees are not even getting second division clerk jobs, the alleged.

The Women's Reservation is just there for namesake as only one woman — Jayamala has been given the Minister's post, he alleged.

K. Nageshwara Rao, Chandolia and Ramesh were present at the press meet.

Gold chain, vanity bag snatched

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (YDS&KS)- In separate incidents, miscreants have snatched a gold chain of a pedestrian and a vanity bag of a doctor in city.

In the first incident, a bike borne miscreant has snatched a 15 grams gold chain of a woman, who was walking on Vinaya Marga, 3rd Cross in Siddarthanagar after purchasing vegetables on Saturday evening.

The woman, who lost her gold chain is Vijayalakshmi, who has lodged a complaint at Nazarbad Police Station in this regard.

In the second incident, two bike borne miscreants have snatched the vanity bag of a doctor containing Rs. 20,000 cash, PAN Card, mobile phone, Driving License, Pass Book, cheque book, RC Card of the scooter and Doctor ID Card on Friday night.

The doctor, who lost her cash and documents, is Dr. Devika, who runs a clinic at Kesare and a resident of the same locality.

On Friday night, Dr. Devika, who closed her clinic was proceeding to her house on her scooter in Kesare 3rd stage, when two bike borne miscreants on a Pulsar bike, who came from behind, snatched her vanity bag and sped away, according to the complaint lodged by Dr. Devika at N.R. Police Station.

Man goes missing from city

Mysuru, Feb. 18 (KS)- A 28-year-old man, working at a bar coming under Mandi Police limits, has gone missing since Feb. 3.

The missing person is Shivaraj. According to a complaint lodged by his wife Suma with Mandi Police, Shivaraj left for work at about 8 am on Feb. 3 and has not returned since then.

Those having any information about Shivaraj, may contact Mandi Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418313 or call Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339, according to a press release.

WORD OF THE DAY

Gibbous

Pronunciation: JIB-us

Meaning: Marked by convexity or swelling; having a hump : humpbacked.
Origin: The adjective gibbous has its origins in the Latin noun gibbus, meaning "hump," and in the Late Latin adjective gibbosus, meaning "humpbacked," which Middle English adopted in the 14th century as gibbous. Gibbous has been used to describe the rounded body parts of humans and animals (such as the back of a camel) or to describe the shape of certain flowers (such as snapdragons). The term is most often identified, however, with the study of astronomy. A gibbous moon is one that is more than a half-moon but less than full.
Example: The fresh layer of snow glistened under the light of the waxing gibbous moon.

THE ODD WORD

Finicky

Extremely particular, exacting, or meticulous in taste or standards.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Baby blues

Meaning: Feelings of depression or anxiety, experienced by some mothers following childbirth.

Origin: Had anyone mentioned 'baby blues' prior to WWII they would have been thought to have been talking about colour - specifically the colour of someone's eyes. Most babies are born with blue eyes due to a lack of the melanin pigment until sometime after birth. The use of the term 'baby blues' to mean eyes is a natural development, which came about in the USA in the early 20th century; for example, this from the American author Rex Ellingwood Beach's novel Winds of Chance, 1918:
"Fix your baby blues on the little ball and watch me close."
In the 1940s 'baby blues' began to be used with the meaning we now usually give it, that is, post-natal depression. In his best-selling baby care book Expectant Motherhood, 1940, Nicholson J. Eastman wrote: "Most common among such reactions, perhaps, is what is colloquially called the 'Baby Blues'."

QUOTE BOX

Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself.

— George Bernard Shaw

RIDDLE THIS

When you do not know what I am, then I am something. When you know what I am, then I am nothing. What am I?

Answer: A riddle.

SUDOKU

				8				
	8	2				1	6	
		4	7		2	3		
4				3				1
		6	4		5	8		
7				1				4
		5	2		8	4		
	6	1				9	8	
				9				

Answer to previous puzzle

8	1	3	5	2	9	7	6	4
2	4	6	1	7	8	9	5	3
7	9	5	4	6	3	2	8	1
5	8	7	9	1	4	6	3	2
6	2	4	7	3	5	1	9	8
9	3	1	2	8	6	4	7	5
1	7	8	3	9	2	5	4	6
4	6	9	8	5	1	3	2	7
3	5	2	6	4	7	8	1	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

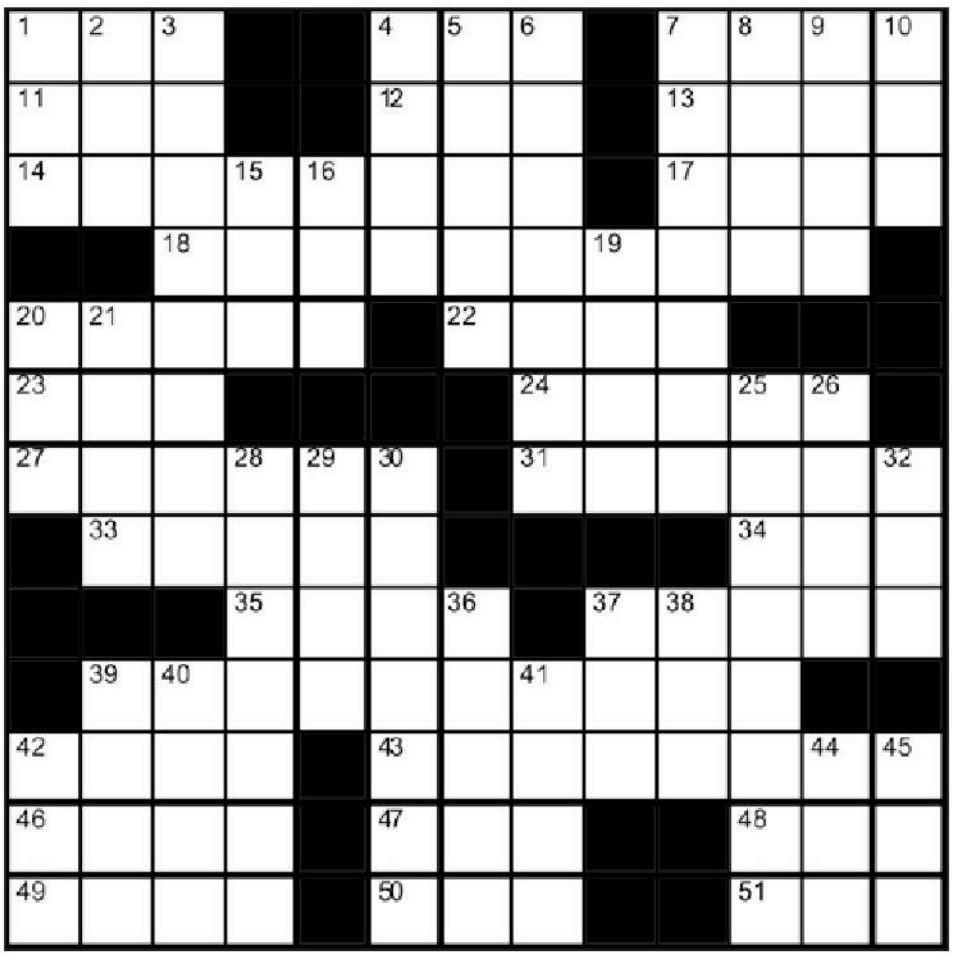
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Flight Control Sys.
4 Noah's boat
7 Rock plants
11 A cry of joy, it's said
12 Storage container
13 See _____ : investigate
14 Clinging shellfish
17 Strikebreaker's old wound?
18 Bit of mail never delivered? (4,6)
20 Board game
22 A repeating sound
23 Owns or possesses
24 Vast ages
27 Seinfeld regular
31 Beijing's old name
33 Simple person
34 Chinese code of behaviour
35 Hollywood's Brad ___
37 One of the Marx Brothers
39 An ardent devotee
42 Chief god in Scandinavian mythology
43 Dusk
46 Tennis great Bjorn ___
47 Woman's ___ : women's equal rights movement?
48 Water in France
49 Understanding term? (1,3)
50 Extra-terrestrials, abbr.
51 Nondirectional Beacon

FRIDAY'S ANSWER:

E	G	G			P	A	R		M	O	I	
M	E	A	T		A	A	L		E	S	T	H
I	M	B	I	B	I	N	G		E	L	S	A
			N	A	N			B	R	O	A	D
C	A	B	E	R		L	I	E	U			
I	D	E	A			L	E	T	T	E	R	
A	I	T			M	A	R			D	U	D
	T	A	N	D	E	M			Z	E	B	U
			A	N	N	A		R	I	N	S	E
C	U	L	P	A			T	I	P			
D	R	O	P		S	C	R	A	P	P	E	D
S	E	R	E		A	H	A		Y	E	A	R
	A	D	D		R	E	P			T	R	Y

Down
1 Groovy or nice, coloquially speaking?
2 Indian tea
3 Newsman Rajdeep ____
4 Multiple choice choices
5 Moon valley
6 Patella
7 Perceived incorrectly
8 ___ bitten, twice shy?
9 The sun, for example
10 To cry bitterly
15 Video game mfr.
16 Rough, cindery volcanic discharges
19 Of thou
20 The rebel Guevara's Christian name
21 "Laughing Cavalier" painter
25 Air is 80% this
26 Break in half
28 Encroach
29 Naval Off. In Chrg.
30 Give right to
32 Sticky substance
36 Namely, that is to say? (2,3)
37 Hind. Aeronautics Ltd.
38 Industrialist Mr. Godrej
39 Bustles or fuss
40 Sack
41 Points of pens
42 Kimono sash
44 Did possess
45 A small bath



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RK ZKPTXDKTP OFHWQTE JRM RK DKXDKDAT

KZEWTF HX MHQZADHKM

TODAY'S CLUE: K EQUALS N

Friday's Cryptoquip: If you stay in Beverly Hills too long you become a Mercedes.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Kirik Love Story	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Bell Bottom	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Chemistry of Kariyappa	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Natasaarvabhowma	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Seetharama Kalyana	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
KGF	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Gahana	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Gully Boy	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Game Paisa Ladki	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
.....	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Dev	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Charlie Chaplin 2	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows

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URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-1)	10.20 am; (S-2) 7.15 pm
	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Kirik Love Story (K)	(S-1)	1.05 pm
Natasarvabhouma (K)	(S-1)	3.55 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am, 1.15 pm
Gully Boy (H)	(S-2)	10.15 am,1.15 pm, 4.15 pm
	(S-4)	6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Kumbalangi Nights (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	(S-3)	10.50 am, 4.30 pm, 7.10 pm
Dev (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Oru Adaar Love (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

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Bell Bottom (K)	(S-2)	9.55 am
	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 7.05 pm
Natasarvabhouma (K)	(S-1)	10 am, 3.55 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-3)	12.55 pm
	(S-4)	6.40 pm
Gully Boy (H)	(S-4)	9.45 am
	(S-2)	12.25 pm, 3.55 pm
	(S-2)	6.45 pm, 9.55 pm
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-3)	10.05 am, 7.05 pm
Oru Adaar Love (Ma)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Kumbalangi Nights (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Chemistry of Kariyappa (K)	(S-4)	3.55 pm
Dev (Ta)	(S-4)	12.45 pm, 9.50 pm

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Gully Boy (H)	8.40 am, 12.00 pm, 3.20 pm
	6.40 pm, 10.00 pm
Natasaarvabhowma (K)	8.45 am, 3.05 pm, 3.50 pm 9.45 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	9.30 am, 1.00 pm, 7.10 pm
Oru Adaar Love (Ma)	9.55 am
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	12.05 pm, 6.25 pm
Dev (Ta)	12.20 pm, 9.50 pm
Chemistry of Kariyappa (K)	3.40 pm
Kumbalangi Nights (Ma)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

'Veeneya Bedagu' Music Fest at Bengaluru from Feb.20 to 23

Veena Seshanna and Swaramurthy V.N. Rao Memorial National Awards Presentation

Mysuru, Feb.18- Veeneya Bedagu, a musical festival has been organised in memory of Veena Seshanna under the auspices of Swaramurthy V.N. Rao Memorial Trust and Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts at Bangalore Gayana Samaja auditorium from Feb.20 to Feb.23. The event schedule is as follows:

Feb.20 - 5 pm: Veena recital by Ramana Balachandran accompanied by B.S. Prashant on mridanga and Dayananda Mohithe on ghata; **6.15 pm:** Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Jeeyar Swamiji of Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Melukote, will inaugurate the fest. Malleshwaram Brahmana Sangha President S. Prakash will be the chief guest; **6.45 pm:** Vocal recital by Sampagodu Vighnaraja accompanied by H.M. Smitha on violin, K.N. Jayachandra Rao on mridanga and Sukanya Ramgopal on ghata.

Feb.21 - 5 pm: Vocal recital by Vinay Sharava accompanied by Sindhu Suchethan on violin, R. Adamya on mridanga and Bhargava Halambi on khanjari; **6.15 pm:** Vocal recital by R.A. Ramamani accompanied by Ganakalashri Nalina Mohan on violin, J. Vaidyanathan on mridanga and Ranganatha Chakravarthy on ghata.

Veena Seshanna *V.N. Rao*

Feb.22 - 5 pm: Veena recital by Dr. S.V. Sahana accompanied by B.S. Anand on mridanga and Sachin Devi Prasad on ghata; **6.15 pm:** Vocal recital by Sikkil C. Gurucharan accompanied by Ganakalashree H.K. Venkataram on violin, Thiruvaarur Bhakthavatsalam on mridanga and G. Guru Prasanna on khanjari.

Feb.23 - 10 am: Jalatarang recital by Anayampatti S. Ganeshan accompanied by Anayampatti G. Venkata Subramanian on violin, A. Renuka Prasad on mridanga, A.S.N Swamy on khanjari and S.N. Narayanamurthy on ghata; **11.15 am:** Presentation of Veena Seshanna Memorial National Award (sponsored by Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade) to Kalaimamani Anayampatti S. Ganeshan and Swaramurthy V.N. Rao Memorial National Award (sponsored by Dr. A.H. Rama Rao & Sudha R. Rao) to Gana Kalabhushana R.A. Ramamani. Former Chief Justice of India M.N. Venkatachalaiah, Retired IAS Officer and former Ambassador of India to UNESCO Chiranjeevi Singh, Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts Director Dr. Deepti Navaratna and Bengaluru Circle Canara Bank General Manager D. Vijay Kumar will be the chief guests; **5 pm:** Vocal recital by K.V. Krishna Prasad accompanied by Rajagopal on violin, Nishanth Puthur on mridanga and N.S. Krishna Prasad on ghata; **6.15 pm:** Vocal recital by Malladi Brothers (Sriram Prasad and Ravikumar), accompanied by Nishanth Chandran on violin, Tumakuru Ravishankar on mridanga and Vyasa Vittala on khanjari.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB.18)

Department of Studies in Library and Information Science, Manasagangothri: Informatics Endowment Lecture Series on Digital Libraries - 15 on 'Artificial Intelligence, Industrial Revolution and India' by Dr. Sargur N. Srihari, SUNY Distinguished Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University at Buffalo, the State University of New York, Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, VC, University of Mysore, inaugurates, N.V. Sathyanarayana, CMD, Informatics India Ltd., Bengaluru and Prof. B.G. Sangameshwara, VC, JSS Science and Technology University (formerly SJCE), JSS TI Campus, Mysuru, will be present, Vijnana Bhavan auditorium, Manasagangothri, **3.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Balaga, Mysuru: Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Jayanti, Rathotsava of Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Sri Sharada Devi and Swami Vivekananda — procession of portrait of Sri Sharada Devi from Sharadadevinagar Circle, procession of portrait of Swami Vivekananda from Swami Vivekananda Circle, **4 pm;** Ramakrishna Ratha, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama's Swami Athmajnanandaji, District Minister G.T. Devegowda and local Corporators will take part, Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Circle, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**

Gayatripuram Educational and Charitable Trust: 37th anniversary celebrations, MLA Tanveer Sait, former President of Kannada Sahitya Parishat Maddikere Gopal Gopal, Corporator Satyaraj and senior doctor R.N. Suresh chief guests, School premises, Gayatripuram, **5 pm.**

Computer Society of India, Mysuru: Felicitation to Mysore University VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar and releasing of quarterly 'My CSI,' Computer Society of India - Mysuru President Prof. M.S. Veerendrakumar presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra: Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavata' by Pt. Badarayanacharya, Kendra premises, Revenu Layout, Srirampura 2nd Stage, **6 pm.**

Haridasa Sangeetha Sahityotsava Samithi: 'Madhwa-Purandara Namana,' Sri Vishwapriya Thirtha, Seer of Adamaru Mutt in Udupi, inaugurates, Sri Raghuvarendra Thirtha, Seer of Bheemasethumuni Vrunda Mutt (Bheemanakatte Chair), graces the occasion, **6 pm;** Analysis on 'Madhwa Vaibhava' (Hanuma, Bheema and Madhwa Muni) by Dr. Vid. Be.Na. Vijayendracharya followed by a music concert by Vid. Jayathirtha Narayana Tasagaov of Bagalkote, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm to 8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB.19)

NCC 13 Kar Bn: Felicitation to Republic Day Parade contingent returned Cadets and institutes awarded the Best Institution Award, Centenary Hall, Maharaja's College, **11 am.**

Sri Bhramaramba Sangeetha Vidyalaya (SBSV) Trust, Mysuru: 23rd anniversary celebrations, Concerts by students of Sangeetha Vidyalaya, **4 pm;** Stage programme and releasing of book 'Sadguru Saptaaha Samhita,' Sri Datta Padanandaji graces the occasion, SBSV Chairperson Shalini V. Murthy presides, Muzrai Department Tahsildar S.N. Yathiraj Sampathkumaran chief guest, retd. Principal of Fine Arts College Sangeetha Guru Dr. R.N. Srilatha guest of honour, **5 pm;** Ghana Panchaka Raga Vaibhava - vocal recital by Sangeetha Saraswathi Vid. Dr. R.N. Srilatha and disciples, accompanied by Vid. Veena Suresh on violin, Vid. V. Raghunandana Bhargava on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, #2359/18, 'Ambasadana,' 11th Cross, Basaveshwara Road, **6 pm.**

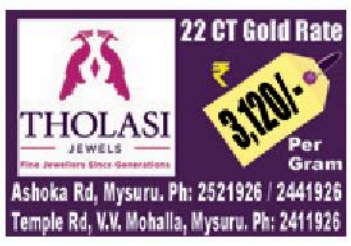
Kasthuri Sirigannada Vedike, State Unit, Mandya and Kasthuri Sirigannada Vedike, Mysuru: Moonlight Poets' Meet - 2019, Siri TV Managing Editor S. Shivarajani inaugurates, dance teacher Yadugiri Gopalan presides, Dr. Yadugiri Gopalan Dance School premises, #56, Maruthi Temple Road, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Haridasa Sangeetha Sahityotsava Samithi: 'Madhwa-Purandara Namana,' Review on 'Purandara Vaibhava' by Vid. Kallapura Pavanacharya of Bengaluru followed by a music concert by Vid. Balasubramanya Sharma of Bengaluru, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm to 8.30 pm.**

Sri Venkateshwara Dhyana Kendra: Discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavata' by Pt. Badarayanacharya, Kendra premises, Revenu Layout, Srirampura 2nd Stage, **6 pm to 8 pm.**

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Moonlight music by Pt. Nagaraja Rao Havaldar, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**

Sri Trineshwaraswamy Temple, Mysore Palace Fort: Sri Trineshwaraswamy Brahmotsava, Pallaki Utsava Dhwaja Awarohana, Mookabali Pradhana, Temple premises, **7 pm.**



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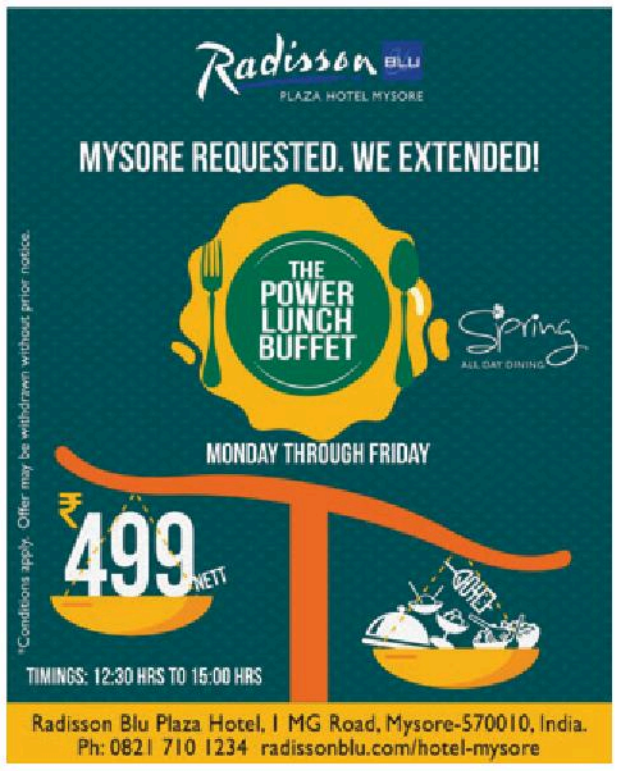
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